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The 2-7 June 2014 I had the pleasure to attend LHCP2014 at Columbia University in New York, jointly organized by Columbia and Brookhaven. The International Advisory Committee heard there our proposal to host the conference in Lund in 2016, and kindly gave us this honor.

We were pleased to be able to welcome our community in Lund, and looked forward to have presented the latest results from the LHC run-2 and the interpretations of the results.

This excitement increased during 2015 as a hint for Physics Beyond the Standard Model started to build up around 750 GeV in the $\gamma\gamma$ mass distribution. Unfortunately, the shut-down for the LHC became somewhat longer than we expected, so 2016 data could not enter into this analysis in time for the LHCP conference, but had to wait until the Rochester conference in Chicago later in the summer. Nevertheless, internally in the experiments, at least in ATLAS, we knew about the results already in Lund, but our lips were sealed.

Nevertheless, many interesting results were shown based on the 2015 data (and earlier), and we got lots of insight into the interpretation of the data from the theory talks.

To organize such a conference requires some work, and locally we felt that to some degree we stepped into unknown territory. Would everything work? Have we thought of everything? G. Bernardi and G. Mitselmakher with their experience from the previous conferences meant a lot for getting us on the right track, and to ensure that things were done in time; L. Lönnblad and I (the local chairmen for the conference) are very grateful for their help.

For the local organization I would like to express my thanks to R. Pasechnik who as Scientific Secretary was the central figure in getting everything working for the conference organization. I would also give a special thanks to C. Doglioni who organized the information system, B. Konya who oversaw the conference infrastructure, and P. Christiansen who did the overall planning for the social program.

I have a special thanks for the conference secretariat of C. Potter (CERN) and D. Hudson (CERN) who gave a lot of help and coordination for setting up the conference, and who were joined by B. Wlosinska (Lund) when running the secretariat during the conference itself.

We are all very grateful to the local PhD-students and Master-students who helped everywhere, including for the logistics during the sessions.

The practical arrangements with rooms, sound, projectors, food etc, were taken care of by LU Conference, a special unit inside the University, and here I would like to mention the meeting coordinator M. Nygren, the technical coordinator A. Nilsson and the main technician R. Gray. The premises of the conference was the Academic Society and M. Hempel were their helpful host.

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We are happy that we got our community's trust to host LHCP2016, and hope that our visitors enjoyed their stay in Lund as much as we enjoyed them coming.

We wish the best for our colleagues in Shanghai for their organization of LHCP2017, and look forward to go there.

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